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A summary of the plague situation to October 12, 1912, including human and rodent cases, reported or discovered, was as follows: Rats examined, 22,139; rats found infected, 63; human cases, 56; deaths, 36.

October 30 a plague-infected rat was reported to have been found at Arecibo.

RUSSIA.

Astrakhan-Summary of Plague.

The first case of plague in the government of Astrakhan was reported in the district of Tchernoyarsk July 4, 1912, and to September 8 the total number of cases reported in the district was 32 with 24 deaths. On July 29 an outbreak of plague occurred in the Tsarevsk district with a total to September 8 of 17 cases with 13 deaths. In the Kirghis Steppe from August 21 to September 1 there were reported 6 cases of plague with 4 deaths occurring in one village. The total number of cases of plague reported in the government of Astrakhan to September 8 was 55 with 41 deaths.

Typhus fever.

Typhus fever has been reported in Russia as follows: Reval, month of August, 1912, 25 cases; Warsaw, week ended July 6, 1912, 4 cases, with 1 death.

ZANZIBAR.

Zanzibar-Examination of rats.

Consul Weddell reports that during the three weeks ended September 15, 1912, there were examined for plague infection 5,527 rats. No plague-infected rat was found.

MOVEMENTS OF INFECTED VESSELS.1

CHOLERA.

Russian vessel, Nagasaki, Japan, August 10 and 13, 1912, 2 cases of cholera in personnel of vessel. (Name of vessel and its itinerary not given.)

Otaru Maru, Nagasaki, Japan, August 23, 1912, from Shanghai, 1 case of cholera in crew.

Kuchinotsu, Japan, August 29, 1912, from Shanghai, via Nagasaki, 1 case of cholera on board.

Yokohama Maru, Moji, Japan, August 21, 1912, from Hongkong, August 13, via Shanghai August 18, 1 case of cholera in the person of a first-class passenger; August 29 another case on board.

Mexico Maru, Moji, Japan, August 29, 1912, from Hongkong August 17, via Shanghai, 4 cases of cholera on board.

Penza, Nagasaki, Japan, August 29, 1912, from Shanghai, 1 case of cholera on board.

Seiun Maru, Nagasaki, Japan, August 29, 1912, from Shanghai, 4 cases of cholera on board.